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For: Treatment of Diabetes with Anti-gp39 Antibodies

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 24, 2003 (Paper No. 12), finally rejecting claims 1, 4-10, 12-20, and further to the Notice of Appeal filed January 26, 2004 and the Request for Continued Examination accompanying this response, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.